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The reply filed on 7/24/03 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The claims were not properly amended. For example, claim 50 is incorrect, since the phrase "or a modification thereof" was not present in the last version of the claim, as submitted on 9/17/02, Paper No. 17. See 37 CFR 1.111. Applicants must correct this matter and carefully review the claims for accuracy. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Nancy Vogel whose telephone number is (703) 308-4548. The examiner normally can be reached Monday through Friday from 7:30 AM to 4:00 AM, EST. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Remy Yucel, Ph.D. can be reached at (703) 305-1998.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Tech Center customer service center at telephone number (703) 308-0196.

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